



VICE MAYOR RUSS MELTON'S  
**Sunnyvale Report**

MID-OCTOBER 2019



# Winter Ice Rink is Coming to Downtown Sunnyvale!

**M**ARK YOUR CALENDARS for the grand opening Friday, November 22! Enjoy skating with family and friends through January 20, 2020. Additional details are in the new Winter Ice Rink flyer.

Vice Mayor Russ Melton supported a \$100,000 contribution from Sunnyvale's budget to fund the ice rink's startup and operational costs. Similar contributions are coming from Google and Cityline Sunnyvale. The three contributing parties will be repaid based on ice rink ticket sales, up to their original \$100,000 contribution. Any excess profits will be given to Sunnyvale Community Services.

So, mark your calendars and make a plan to skate early and skate often!

**WINTER ICE RINK**  
DOWNTOWN SUNNYVALE

November 22, 2019 - January 20, 2020  
250 S. Murphy Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Google CITYLINE Sunnyvale

**Pricing**  
Adults: \$18  
Children 6 and under: \$15  
Skate Only: \$6  
Locker Rental: \$5  
Ground Admission included. Skate Rental.

**Public Group Rates**  
25 or more - \$5.50/Person per session  
50 or more - \$4.50/Person per session  
75 or more - see Private Parties below

**Private Group Rates**  
\$2,000 - \$2,500  
Available on select days Monday - Thursday. On or before 12:00 PM. On or after 1:00 PM. Seating not open to public. If used for a private party, contact arena at [phone number] to book your event.

**Hours of Operation**  
November 22 - November 30  
Sunday - Saturday: 11:00AM - 10:30PM  
December 1 - December 25  
Sunday: 11:00AM - 9:30PM  
Monday - Thursday: 1:00PM - 9:30PM  
Friday & Saturday: 11:00AM - 10:30PM  
December 22 - January 4  
Sunday - Saturday: 11:00AM - 10:30PM  
January 5 - January 20  
Sunday: 11:00AM - 9:30PM  
Monday - Thursday: 1:00PM - 9:30PM  
Friday & Saturday: 11:00AM - 10:30PM

**Special Hours\*\***  
Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve: 11:00AM - 9:30PM  
Sessions are 60 minutes of ice time. There is a 30 minute break between sessions for ice cleaning!

**Special Events**  
Opening Ceremony  
Friday, November 22, 2019 | 5:00PM - 7PM  
Downtown Sunnyvale Tree Lighting  
Friday, December 7, 2019 | 5:00PM - 7:30PM  
First Friday: Rock 'n' Roll Skating & Skate Show  
December 6, 2019 & January 3, 2020  
7:00PM - 11pm  
Skate with S.I. Sharks, See how Shark's Manager Ties!

**Follow Us!**  
@WinterInSunnyvale

Community Exhibitor  
Community Support

**SPSA Returns on Ice**  
Saturday, January 11, 2020 | 2:00PM - 5:00PM  
More to Come!



**Sunnyvale Boy Scouts attended the Community Workshop and Map-Making meeting recently at the Sunnyvale Community Center. They asked a lot of great questions!**

*With my City Council colleague Glenn Hendricks.*

# Keeping Sunnyvale Safe

**O**UTSTANDING WORK by the Office of the City Attorney and the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety to keep the City safe and prevent a possible mass shooting.

In June, Public Safety Officers responded to a criminal threats call at Sunnyvale Ford. A disgruntled employee had made threats about “blowing up” the place. The individual was not at the business when officers arrived, so a report was taken and submitted to the District Attorney’s office for review. Although there wasn’t enough to file criminal charges, officers worked with the DA’s office to obtain a temporary (21-day) Gun Violence Restraining Order (GVRO). GVROs are possible under what are colloquially referred to as “red-flag” laws, enacted in 2016. The photo shows the sizable cache of firearms that was seized by officers.

Public Safety Officers then worked with the City Attorney’s Office to obtain a longer GVRO.

On September 6, one of Sunnyvale’s



**Guns Confiscated in Sunnyvale**

*photo: Department of Public Safety*

Assistant City Attorneys appeared in Superior Court, where the Court issued a one-year GVRO, which prohibits the person from purchasing or accessing firearms until at least September 16, 2020. The City may file a request to extend the GVRO next year if there are new law violations or violations of the order. At the end of the one-year period, the individual will have to undergo another background check by the California Department of Justice and pay for the costs of storage before any firearms or ammunition may be returned to him.

## **VICE MAYOR MELTON’S TAKE:**

I am sure both judges, in contemplating the 21-day and the 1-year GVROs, weighed all the factors and decided that the public safety benefit (vastly) outweighed this individual’s right to access these weapons (or any any other firearms) for one year. In the absence of the GVRO, we would have been left with the options of either (a) hoping/praying that he doesn’t commit a mass shooting, or (b) DPS and Sunnyvale Ford expending a hugely unreasonable amount of resources surveilling the individual and/or preparing for the worst. I appreciate that Sacramento passed the Red Flag laws in 2016, and I think the judges got the GVROs exactly right in this case.

As for the storage charge, the individual is responsible for his actions which lawfully led to him having to temporarily surrender his weapons. I am sure the final dollar amount of the storage charge will be commensurate with the number of weapons this person had accumulated.

A special thank you to the City Attorney’s Office and the Department of Public Safety for keeping Sunnyvale safe!

# Wolfe Road Patching Started October 5



**S**unnyvale Public Works crews started work Saturday October 5 on a project to patch Wolfe Road between El Camino and Homestead. Work is expected to go for four to six consecutive Saturdays.

If you are in your car on Wolfe near any road work, please slow down, obey all traffic signs and drive safely.

Vice Mayor Melton thanks the hardworking individuals of Sunnyvale's road crews for tackling this important job!

**It's a beautiful Sunnyvale day for a Showcase at the Santa Clara Unified School District farm site on Dunford Way! I had a nice chat with SCUSD's new Superintendent, Dr. Stella Kemp.**

# Sunnyvale High School Students of the Year

**F**or the third consecutive year, Vice Mayor Russ Melton had the pleasure of introducing the High School Student of the Year at the Sunnyvale State of the City.

This year two nominees were so impressive, the selection committee wanted to honor both!

Zara V. and Kaushik T. are both fantastic young people who have demonstrated tremendous leadership and accomplishments at their schools and in their communities. The future is bright, keep up the great work Zara and Kaushik!  
#SunnyvaleSOTC



Zara V.



Kaushik T.






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## B I O G R A P H Y

### GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

- Sunnyvale City Councilmember, 2017-Present
- Sunnyvale Vice Mayor, 2019-Present
- Sunnyvale Planning Commissioner, 2012-2017; Commission Chair, 2014-2016

### EDUCATION

- Masters of Business Administration (MBA), Santa Clara University
- Bachelor of Science (BS), Business Administration, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Executive Vice President / Chief Operations Officer, National 1st Credit Union, 2009-2011
- Senior Finance Manager, National Semiconductor Corporation, 1995-2009
- Honorably Discharged from United States Navy

### PERSONAL

- Sunnyvale resident since 2000
- Native Bay Area resident
- Married; two children in Sunnyvale public schools

# Sunnyvale Contact Information

Non-Emergency  
Police & Fire ..... 408-730-7100

Abandoned Cars ..... 408-730-7706

Graffiti/  
Shopping Carts ..... 408-730-7680

Job Center (NOVA) .... 408-730-7232

Sewer/  
Water/Utilities ..... 408-730-7400

Street Lights/  
Sidewalks..... 408-730-7415

Street Trees/Parks .... 408-730-7506

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### Your Federal Elected Representatives

United States Senator **Dianne Feinstein**  
San Francisco Office 415-393-0707

United States Senator **Kamala Harris**  
San Francisco Office 415-981-9369

United States Representative **Ro Khanna**  
Santa Clara Office 408-436-2720

### Your State Elected Representatives

California State Senator **Jerry Hill**  
San Mateo Office 650-212-3313

Calif. State Assemblymember **Marc Berman**  
Los Altos Office 650-691-2121

### Your County Elected Representatives

Santa Clara County Supervisor  
**Joe Simitian** 408-299-5050

Santa Clara County Supervisor  
**Dave Cortese** 408-299-5030